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Abstract: This dissertation is an ample and thorough assessment of hunting in late medieval and Renaissance northern and central Italy. Hunting took place in a variety of landscapes and invested animal species. Both of these had been influenced by human activities for centuries. Hunting had deep cultural significance for a range of social groups, each of which had different expectations and limitations on their use of their local game animal-habitat complexes. Hunting in medieval Italy was business, as well as recreation. The motivations and hunting dynamics (techniques) of different groups of hunters were closely interconnected. This mutuality is central to understanding hunting. It also deeply affected consumption, the ultimate reason behind hunting. In all cases, although hunting was a marginal activity, it did not stand in isolation from other activities of resource extraction. Actual practice at all levels was framed by socio-economic and legal frameworks. While some hunters were bound by these frameworks, others attempted to operate as if they did not matter. This resulted in the co-existence and sometimes competition between several different hunts and established different sets of knowledge and ways to think about game animals and the natural world. The present work traces game animals from their habitats to the dinner table through the material practices and cultural interpretation of a variety of social actors to offer an original and thorough survey of the topic.

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Italians have always loved hunting or la caccia. It’s the reason why one sees so few birds in Italy these days apart from the ubiquitous pigeon, though there was a time when Italian hunters disdained such small fry. Their quarries of choice in the Middle Ages were the hart and the boar. Hunting was not just about the meat, or even the sport. It was about the exercise, about keeping men in trim and in form for war. It was also a social occasion, preceded and followed by good food, wine and jollity, by boastful arguments about one’s exploits and the joyful consumption of the kill with one’s fami. Playing Supreme Deer Hunting online let you become a supreme deer hunter. This online classic hunting game allows you to challenge your hunting skills and earn points for reaching the set goals. It also gives you the option to upgrade your weapons for better shots which result in better aim, bigger scores, and maximum damage. Your task is to kill 100 does, 50 small bucks, and 5 big bucks. Realistic shooting with range allows you to hone your aiming skills and to shoot with accuracy. Play Supreme Deer Hunting. Deer Sniper 2014. Use the right mouse button to zoom in the object and the right mouse button to shoot. The game has ultra-realistic graphics and a lot of animals to shoot. Play Deer Sniper 2014. Big Hunt. GAME FEATURES Deer Hunter 2016 Advanced sniper guns shooting experience Cool graphics and background Different Jungle Locations Earn money to unlock 4 latest sniper rifles High score and current scoreboard Jungle map to track your way No internet required while playing Original sounds of deer and bullets Slow motion Bullet Time Combo Effects Small game size Easy to download. This game is awesome because it has deer and the aiming and shooting could never be better I highly recommend this game. 26 out of 40 people found this helpful. A.